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This number of the News Letter contains the program of the annual meetings of the Western Conference. The churches included in the conference are urged not only to elect delegates to this meeting, but also to provide for the expenses of such delegates. This would not merely increase the attendance, it would also make the gathering more genuinely representative of our churches. Though it would mean an added expense, it would be a good investment and pay substantial dividends in increased efficiency of the local churches. It helps a struggling church to know that success is being won in some places; it helps more to know how that success has come, and it helps the strong church to a sense of its own obligations when it hears how brave a struggle some weak church is making. The single church can never win the highest success until it is conscious of serving a cause which is larger than itself. This consciousness the conference brings home to us as nothing else does. Let us go prepared to give and we shall abundantly receive.

The treasurer, Mr. Brough, has just sent out the following letter: "Please allow me to remind you that we have not yet received a contribution from your church, but it will, no doubt, be forthcoming before I have to make up my annual report. I am pleased to be able to say that of all the churches that have so far contributed, not one has sent in less than they have previously and most of them a little more. If we can keep this record I shall be able to report not only the small deficit of last year made up, but also a small balance in the treasury for commencing the new year. We want to make next year a strenuous one and enable the secretary to push the missionary work throughout the Conference and so ask for all that can be possibly given towards this work."

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WESTERN UNITARIAN CONFERENCE.

OFFICERS:

To be held in Unity Church, St. Paul, Minn., Portland avenue and Grotto street, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 17, 18, 19 and 20, 1909.

President—Hon. Morton D. Hull.

Vice-Presidents—

Rev. George A. Thayer, D. D.

Mr. Charles W. Ames.

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Treasurer—Mr. Herbert W. Brough.

Directors to May, 1909—Rev. M. O. Simons, Rev. W. M. Backus, Rev. Mary A. Safford, Mrs. Emma N. Delano, Rev. John W. Day, Rev. Ernest C. Smith (to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Mr. C. L. Wilder), Rev. A. M. Judy.

Directors to May, 1910—Mrs. F. A. Delano, Rev. F. A. Gilmore, Mr. J. W. Hosmer, Mrs. S. F. Lynn, Mr. Herbert W. Brough, Rev. F. M. Bennett, Rev. Florence Buck.

Directors to May, 1911—Mr. F. F. Temple, Rev. W. Hanson Pulsford, Rev. Fred V. Hawley, Mr. C. L. Udell, Hon. Morton D. Hull, Mr. Edwin C. Mason, Rev. George R. Gebauer.

Invitation!

Unity Church of St. Paul invites the members of the Western Conference to attend the fifty-seventh annual meeting as its guests. Members of the society will be glad to entertain delegates2 at their homes. Those who accept this invitation are requested to send their names and addresses not later than May 10th, to Mr. F. B. Tiffany, room 404, Pioneer Press building, St. Paul. A card will then be sent to each of those who accept, giving them the name of their host or hostess, with directions for reaching the house to which they are assigned.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE CONFERENCE.

Any person may become a Life Member of this Conference by the payment of twenty-five dollars in one sum, or an Annual Member by the payment of one dollar.

Delegate Membership is acquired by certificate of appointment by any religious society or organization

that shall have, during the previous year, contributed not less than ten dollars to the Conference. Such society or organization may be so represented by three general delegates, and one additional delegate for every thirty families. These delegates, together with all the officers of the Conference, or the State Conferences within its limits, and all missionaries at work within its limits, alone have the right to vote.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

The meetings of the conference will be held at Unity Church, on the corner of Grotto street and Portland avenue. Take Grand avenue car to Grotto street and walk two blocks north.

The luncheons will be served in the church parlors.

Plates for the National Alliance luncheon are fifty cents each and must be ordered not later than Saturday, May 15, of Mrs. H. E. Randall, 945 Ashland avenue.

The minister's dinner tickets are fifty cents, and may be had any time up to Monday, May 17, of Mr. F. B. Tiffany, room 404, Pioneer Press building.

The closing banquet tickets are one dollar and must be procured by noon on Thursday, May 20, from Mr. F. B. Tiffany.

Guests will assemble at 6 p. m. Dinner will be served at 6:30.

PROGRAM.

Monday, May 17.

8:00 p. m. Conference Sermon, Rev. F. M. Bennett, Lawrence, Kan.

Tuesday, May 18.

Alliance Day Program.

10:30 a. m. Special Conference Session, open to all Alliance Members. Topic, "Alliance Work."

12:30 p. m. Alliance Luncheon, Mrs. S. R. Child, Director for Minnesota, presiding.
Greetings from visiting Delegates.

2:30 p. m. Public Meeting, Mrs. Emma N. Delano, Vice-President of Western States, presiding.
Opening Hymn.
Invocation.
Address of Welcome, Mrs. John D. Reid, of St. Paul.
Greetings of the National Alliance.
Addresses on "Woman's Work in the Church":
"In the Past," Mrs. Hiram Marks, Detroit, Mich.
"In the Present," Mrs. C. V. Mersereau, St. Louis, Mo.
"In the Future," Mrs. T. G. Winter, Minneapolis, Minn.
To be followed by general discussion.

5:30 p. m. Ministers' Luncheon.
Address, "How to Get Hold of Young Men!" Rev. Minot O. Simons.
Discussion.

8:00 p. m. Platform Meeting.
Subject, "The Value of the Church."
(a) "The Church as a Spiritual Power," Rev. W. F. Greenman, Milwaukee, Wis.
(b) "The Church as an Educational Force," Rev. A. L. Weatherly, Lincoln, Neb.
(c) "The Church and Physical Well-Being," Rev. A. M. Rihbany, Toledo, Ohio.

Wednesday, May 19.

10:00 a. m. Address of Welcome.
Address of Vice-President, Mr. C. W. Ames.
Report of Secretary, Rev. Ernest C. Smith.
Report of Treasurer, Mr. H. W. Brough.
Written Reports of State Secretaries, limited to five minutes:
Michigan—Rev. R. Shaw Barrow.
Illinois—Rev. J. H. Mueller.
Minnesota—Rev. G. R. Gebauer.
Iowa—Rev. C. P. Wellman.
Missouri Valley—Rev. J. H. Jones.
Greeting from the American Unitarian Association, Rev. Wilson M. Backus, Director A. U. A.

1:00 p. m. Luncheon.

2:30 p. m. Paper, "Some Thoughts About Progress," Rev. C. F. Elliott, Quincy, Ill.

3:15 p. m. Paper, "The Place of the Church in Reform Movements," Rev. John W. Day, St. Louis, Missouri.
Discussion.

8:00 p. m. Platform Meeting.
Subject, "The Modern Outlook."
(a) "Scientific," Rev. W. Hanson Pulsford, Chicago.
(b) "Educational," Rev. Gertrude von Petzold, Des Moines, Iowa.
(c) "Religious," Rev. F. A. Gilmore, Madison, Wis.

Thursday, May 20.

9:30 a. m. Devotional Meeting, led by Rev. C. P. Wellman, Humboldt, Iowa.

10:00 a. m. Sunday School Meeting, Rev. E. A. Horton, D. D., President Unitarian Sunday School Society in the chair.
Address by the President, Dr. Horton.
Paper, "The Church and the Sunday School," Rev. R. E. Ramsay, Davenport, Iowa.
Discussion, led by Rev. R. Shaw Barrow, Jackson, Mich.

12:00 m. Business.

1:00 p. m. Luncheon.

2:30 p. m. Y. P. R. U. Meeting, Rev. H. W. Foote of Ann Arbor, Mich., National Vice-President, in the chair.
Subject, "The Young People's Society."
(a) "The Social Side," Rev. Manley B. Townsend, Sioux City, Iowa.
(b) "The Religious Side," Rev. C. F. Niles, Menomonie, Wis.

6:00 p. m. Banquet.
Toastmaster, Mr. Chas. W. Ames, St. Paul.
Speakers:
H. W. Foote, Ann Arbor.
G. R. Gebauer, Duluth.
Elinor Gordon, Des Moines.
Fred V. Hawley, Chicago.
E. A. Horton, Boston.

THE HEALING TOUCH OF FAITH.

There is today an ever increasing belief in the occult and mystical. Many, indeed, hold that we have at last found the fountains of health and eternal youth through faith, prayer or enlightenment. That accounts to me for the immense crowd of people that turned out not long ago to hear Bishop Fallows, of Chicago, on the subject of faith healing. People wanted to see that wonderful man, who, according to newspaper report had done such mighty works. All expected to hear about great things of healing. But somehow the good bishop was rather modest in his claims. They, indeed, did not compare favorably with those of Christian Science, which declares itself master of all disease "so-called." Christian Science makes no compromise

with physicians; it does not divide disease into functional and organic, into curable and incurable. The Emanuel curist may be satisfied when under conditions he has relieved pain, put new courage into the heart of the sufferer, smoothed a troubled conscience and a disturbed mind, even if he can not cure. But not so the science healer. He does not recognize disease as a reality; he will not say with Bishop Fallows, "I can not cure cancer, for I am not Christ; this only Christ can do." He rather remembers the words of the Master, "He that believeth on me the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works shall he do, because I go to the father." (He remembers, too, how Jesus sent forth his disciples with the commission to heal the sick and to cleanse the lepers.) Certainly the Christian Science disciple seems to stand here upon more solid Bible ground than the representative of the Emanuel movement. There are two essential factors needed for healing. In the first place, there must be a personality impressive enough to provoke confidence, or faith. It must then, above all, be a personality filled with faith in its own divine power or the power of God given to it. A faith healer without faith is an impossibility. At one time, we are told in Matthew, a certain man besought Jesus to heal his son, an epileptic. He said to him: "I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him." And Jesus answered and said, "Oh, faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you!" And when, later on, his disciples asked, "Why could we not cast it out?" he answered, "Because of your little faith; for, verily I say unto you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed ye shall say unto this mountain, remove hence to yonder place and it shall remove, and nothing shall be impossible to you." Here, then, is a plain instance that Jesus considered faith in the healer as the prerequisite to healing. But, in the second place, there must be a corresponding faith in those who seek cure. Yes, not only this, but for most effective work the faith of the individual must be supported by a social atmosphere of belief and expectancy. If the mental atmosphere is not favorable, then the individual's faith weakens, and in many cases the all-important and provocative faith of the healer himself grows impotent. He can not do great works. This point is well brought out in the gospel story where we are told that the Master "could there do no mighty work—because of their unbelief." That is, the boys and girls, the men and women of Nazareth who had known the son of Mary all their lives, who had romped with him and maybe scrapped with him, had no confidence in his powers as a healer. They were skeptical and unresponsive, and this skepticism and inward antagonism limited his power. This truth the Christian Science healer fully realizes. His great care is to create a spiritual atmosphere about the patient which is favorable, receptive, expectant, and he endeavors to bar out all antagonistic skeptical social influences. He will fortify the patient in himself by telling him about his divineness, about the reality of the mind and the unreality of flesh and its ills. And at the same time he will spread about him a vast circle of science literature which will keep away the evil spirits of skepticism and of mortal thought. And, if he thus succeeds in insulating the mind of the patient and calling forth those conditions of faith, his work may be crowned with success. And the greater the general expectation the greater the individual faith, the greater the self-assurance of the healer, the greater and more startling will be the works of healing. When a whole mass of people is affected by this spiritual germ of belief, when the healer is aroused to the highest pitch of faith, then we may expect the most startling effects. Dowie and Schlatter could do their best when the masses thronged upon them; when wholesale pilgrimages take the weary and heavy laden to Lourdes or St. Anne de Beau Pre, then we read in the papers of wonderful healings. It does not concern us if these healings were permanent or no; it is sufficient to realize that the mind in faith aroused and strengthened may throw off more or less the bonds of weakness or disease and that the illness, after all, only returns when faith again departs. But doubtless many lasting cures have been effected by religious therapeutics, and though this power of faith may be mysterious, it is, in the end, not more mysterious than the effect of quinine or arsenic or nux vomica. And, whatever help there is in faith, it is open to everybody and does not require the sacrifice of reason and the acceptance of some ultra rational idealistic philosophy. At the same time it is well to realize that after all there are greater things to be sought after than eternal youth and never waning health, even if it could be procured by the power of faith. To me, indeed, it would seem foreboding no good if the churches should put religious therapeutics as a pre-eminent feature upon their program of work. To Jesus healing was not the aim and end of his mission, but merely an incident. There is danger in any movement that simply stands for health and happiness and the perpetual smile. We need not look for any deep and abiding spiritual revival as long as Christ the healer is in the foreground.

The church must stand for a greater faith than the faith of the lame and blind in body. It must stand for faith in moral and spiritual sanitation. It must create such a soundness of moral and spiritual tissue that it will quicken in the believer a soul strong enough to be without bodily disease and to heal itself or reinforce the efforts of healer or of physician in case he has succumbed to disease from without. The church should stand for the spiritual health and moral sanness first and foremost. G. A. GEBAUER

Duluth.

THE GOSPEL OF GOOD HEALTH.

In an age that is turning its attention increasingly to the cure of bodily ills by psychic influences and so-called auto-suggestion, and that has even evolved the phrase "mental therapeutics," there is strong reason that thoughtful men and women keep their heads cool and level and insist upon a phase of health that is of infinitely more importance. There is another word that ought to be put into common circulation—the word "prophylactic." Therapeutics is the art of healing; prophylactics, the art of preventing disease. The writer submits that the latter is of far greater importance to the individual and to society than the former, upon the authority of the old proverb that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. The first article of faith in the Gospel of Good Health is not cure of disease but the preservation of that natural health that is the normal condition of a human being; that health that is his so long as he lives in harmony with the Divine laws that govern the various functions of his physical organisms; that health that neglect of and abuse gradually vitiates and destroys. The plea I make is for prophylactics, both physical and psychical—a plea for that care and nurture of the body and mind that spell health, strength, happiness and peace.

The four most ancient physicians in this world, and the four best, are Pure Water, Sunshine, Fresh Air and Regular Exercise. These four may be simmered down to two—pure water and regular exercise in the sunshine and open air. Walking is the finest, most healthful exercise ever invented. In walking nearly every muscle and organ of the body is brought into action. Th lungs scoop in great volumes of fresh air, laden with ozone, and the blood is purified and sent, red and vital, to every remotest part of the body, building up the wasted tissues and imparting new vigor and vitality. The brain, befagged by routine work at desk or counter or indoor application, clears and grows sensitive and vivid to impressions. A delightful sense of freedom, lightness and strength takes the place of the sluggishness, stagnation and lassitude that oppressed the shut-in worker. It is as if he had been born again. Exercise, blessed exercise in the open air, is the sovereign recipe for good health and even for the cure of most ills to which flesh is heir.

The fact that farmers live longer, on the average, than any other class of men, is proof sufficient of the necessity of an out-of-door life. On the other hand, it is not necessary that one become a cave-man in order to enjoy good health. There is no reason why the active brain-workers may not keep his body and brain in first-class condition. A few weeks' vacation in summer, however, will not be sufficient. At least one day in the week, or a part of one day, must be religiously set aside for the exercise of the body and rest of the mind. Many wise men are doing this. Instead of waiting until the inevitable breakdown they live a life so ordered that they never are obliged to resort to sanitariums or total cessation of activity. They balance their indoor lives with regular out-of-door exercise and reap their sure reward. I used to wonder, as a boy, how the antideluvians lived to so great an age. I understand it now. They lived out of doors. Methusaleh never heard of close, stuffy, furnace-heated houses.

When worn and weary and discouraged, Simon Peter said, "I am going fishing," and the other disciples said, "We will go, too," they made a wise choice. They were tired from long-sustained anxiety and loss of sleep. They were sorrowful and depressed. They sought relief in God's great, wonderful, healing out-of-doors. It is good for modern men and women to go fishing, or do anything that takes them out of the city and into the country.

The country is within reach of all—even the city dweller can take the electrics and in an hour step off upon some country road. If walking, in itself, grows monotonous, provide yourself with a pair of good field glasses and a notebook and pencil, prepared to observe and note down the interesting peculiarities of the beasts, birds, trees, ferns and flowers you chance upon. At once your walk takes on new interest and charm. Hark! the birds are singing in full chorus. See! all about you are blooming wild flowers of dainty form, exquisite color, and often rare fragrance! Behold that squirrel running nimbly up the rugged trunk of that great oak! Out come your field glasses. Your notebook is brought into play, and the long, happy hours speed by on swift wings as you are lured on through field and thicket and beside the stream. Lunch, brought in your pocket, becomes a meal fit for the gods! Food at which you would turn up your nose at home you swallow with avidity beneath some patriarchal tree, with the brook murmuring its song close by.

If you delay until the sunset hour you will end the day in a quiet peace and joy. The day has been spent in joyful recreation that actually re-creates. The nights slumber will be deep and dreamless, for, though your body will be weary, your mind will be at rest, your nerves will be steady. You have felt the healing touch of Mother Nature and she has given you health, strength and life anew.

Good health, therefore, is within reach of all. The conditions are simple. Exercise, regular exercise in the open air, summer and winter, brings its certain reward. Prophylactics, the art of preserving health, is the important work. A healthy and vital

religion is the natural consequence of a healthy body. Religion and health are thus very closely related. Let the experimenter in auto-suggestion continue his experiments. If he can make any contribution to the world's health and happiness, God speed him. But let us not forget to insist upon the more fundamental, more necessary truth—the necessity of living such a sane, normal, simple, healthy life, that the services of the medicine man shall never be required.

Sioux City. MANLEY B. TOWNSEND.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Iowa City, Iowa.—The new plan of having the kindergarten during the morning sermon seems to work well. The Young People's Ssociety gave a very successful performance of "Everyman," under the direction of Miss Chawner, of the English department of Iowa University. A contract has been let for the erection of a parsonage on the lot adjoining the church.. This was made possible by aid from the A. U. A. loan fund. Next winter we hope to have a pipe organ, the National Alliance having recommended $500 towards furnishing the new church, and Mr. Carnegie making a contribution, leaving some $500 which we shall try to raise ourselves. The attendance of students at the services is increasing, the congregation being fifty per cent more than last year.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Indianapolis Church has now passed the "yellow dog" stage, and no one's respectability or sanity is questioned when he attends its services. The excellent reputation the church now bears is due to the high character of the people who have joined it. A recent canvass of the church by the Good Works committee showed that every member of the congregation was engaged in some form of social usefulness. The church is represented in every movement for social betterment. This has given it the reputation of being a civic church, though at no sacrifice of the primary function of a church which is religious in its emphasis.

Alton, Ill.—Rev. Vernon M. Cady, who was installed as minister of the First Unitarian Church last November, has resigned his charge here to accept the pastorate of the Kansas City Church. Mr. Cady will take up the work in Kansas City May 1, Mrs. Cady occupying the pulpit there until that time.

Youngstown, Ohio.—The Unitarian Church here dedicated its chapel Sunday evening, April 4. This is the first of the portable chapels planned by the A. U. A. to be set up and dedicated. The factory cost, assumed by the national organization, was $2,500; the cost of setting up and furnishing, assumed by the local organization, was $1,200. Rev. M. O. Simons, of Cleveland, preached the dedication sermon.

Chicago—The conference directors met at 2 p. m. Wednesday, March 17. Present, Messrs. Pulsford, Brough, Hosmer, Temple, Backus, Mrs. Delano, Miss Buck and Mrs. Lynn. The program committee presented its report. It was voted to accept the report and empower the committee to make such alterations as may be necessary. On motion, Rev. E. C. Smith was unanimously elected a director of the Western Unitarian Conference to fill the existing vacancy. The election of Mr. Smith as secretary of the meeting on February 23 was ratified. The meeting then adjourned.

W. M. BACKUS, Secretary.

Chicago, Ill.—The Chicago Associate Alliance will hold its next regular meeting in Unity Church, Hinsdale, on Thursday, May 6. There will be a report of the Religious News committee and an address on "Spring Migrations" by Mrs. Emma L. Adams. Luncheon at 1 o'clock.

The Chicago Associate Alliance and other liberal Christian women met at Unity Church April 1, at 11 a. m. Mrs. Grant Beebe, the president, was in the chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Beebe appointed Mrs. Brough chairman of the philanthropic news committee and Miss Fry chairman of the cheerful letter committee.

Rev. A. Hirschberg was the speaker of the morning, and his subject was "The Millennium." He said the idea of the millennium began with organized society. This dreamed-of federation of the world is an inspiring theme, and during the later centuries certainly great changes have come to pass—the rack, the thumbscrew and kindred horrors now being unknown, but there is yet little disposition to make spears into pruning hooks. The millennium is still a dream the realization of which is far in the distance but that should not discourage the works of good men and women, for there is hope for encouragement as long as there are hungry that are fed and naked that are clothed.

Dr. Rubinkam, of the Central Unitarian Society, was called upon to speak. He said the spirit of toleration had increased greatly in the past twenty-five years, in spite of hindrances. Dr. Rubinkam felt the millennium would be hastened by giving more of ourselves. Mr. Dellgren, of the Swedish Church, told us equality of opportunity was the first step toward the millennium.

Remarks were made by many others present, and Mr. Hirschberg closed by saying one great barrier to the coming of the ideal was the unwillingness of people to face the truth. He urged an earnest fidelity to our convictions.

Mrs. Delano extended an invitation to the women of Dr. Rubinkam's society to join the Associate Alliance. Dr. Rubinkam indicated their willingness and only awaited instructions. On motion, the meeting adjourned. ETHEL W. MASON, Secretary.

DIRECTORY

A Directory of the Independent churches in the Western Unitarian Conference. The object of this list is to direct those who care to know where to find our churches and ministers.

Alton, Ill.—First Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. Vernon M. Cady.

Ann Arbor, Mich.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. Henry Wilder Foote.

Bloomington, Ill.—Unitarian Church, East and Jefferson Sts Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. J. H. Mueller, 506 East Chestnut St.

Brooklyn, Mich.—People's Church. Hour of service, 7:30 P. M.

Buda, Ill.—Union Christian Society, Hour of service, 10:45 A. M.

Burlington, Iowa.—People's Church. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M.

Chicago, Ill.—Hull Memorial Chapel, Fifty-seventh St. and Woodlawn Ave. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. W. Hanson Pulsford, 115 E Twenty-third St.

Chicago, Ill.—Unity Church, Barry Ave., near Evanston Ave. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. Fred V. Hawley, 2429 North Hermitage Ave.

Chicago, Ill.—Third Unitarian Church, W. Monroe St. near Kedzie Ave. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M. Prof. George B. Foster.

Chicago, Ill.—First Swedish Unitarian Church, Wells Hall, 1629 N. Clark St. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. August Dellgren, 831 E. Wellington Ave.

Chicago, Ill.—Central Unitarian Society, Music Hall, Fine Arts Building. Lecture at 11 A. M. Dr. Nathaniel I. Rubinkam, 4355 Oakenwald Ave.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—The First Congregational Church of Cincinnati. Reading Rd. and Linton St. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. George A. Thayer, 304 Oak St.

Cleveland, Ohio.—The Church of the Unity, Euclid and Genesee Aves. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. Minot O. Simons, 1916 East Eighty-second St.

Colorado Springs, Colo.—All Souls' Unitarian Church, Dale and Tejon Sts. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. J. Lewis Marsh.

Davenport, Iowa.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M. Rev. Robert E. Ramsay, 2104 Grand Ave.

Decorah, Iowa.—Unity Church. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M.

Denver, Colo.—First Unitarian Society, Broadway and 19th Ave. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. David Utter, D. D., 329 Broadway.

Des Moines, Iowa.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. Mary A. Safford.

Detroit, Mich.—First Congregational Unitarian Society, Woodward Ave. and Edmund Place. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. Reed Stuart, 76 Stimson Place.

Duluth, Minn.—First Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. George R. Gebaner, 1209 E. Third St.

Evanston, Ill.—Church of All Souls. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. J. Vila Blake, 37 Ashland Blvd., Chicago.

Fort Collins, Colo.—Unity Church. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. Duren J. H. Ward.

Geneseo, Ill.—First Unitarian Society. Hours of service, 10:45 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. David M. Kirkpatrick.

Geneva, Ill.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 11 4 P. M. Prof. Geo. Foster.

Gimli, Manitoba.—Unitarian Society. Hour of service, Rev. J. P. Solmundsson.

Grand Haven, Mich.—First Unitarian Society, Washington St., between Third and Fourth Sts. Hour of service, 7 P. M.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—All Souls Liberal Church. Hours of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. H. B. Bard.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Holland Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. B. A. Van Sluyters, R. F. D. 9.

Greeley, Colo.—Unity Church, Ninth St. and Ninth Ave. Hour of Service, 10:45. Rev. Milton R. Kerr.

Hanska, Minn.—Nora Free Church. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. A. E. Norman.

Harrietta, Mich.—People's Church. Hour of service, 10 A. M. Rev. B. A. Hills, Traverse City.

Hinsdale, Ill.—Unity Church. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M. Rev. J. M. A. Spence.

Hobart, Ind.—First Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 7:30 P. M. Alternate Sundays.

Humboldt, Iowa.—Unity Church. Hours of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. C. P. Wellman.

Indianapolis, Ind.—All Souls' Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev Frank C. S. Wicks, 17 Michigan St.

Iowa City, Iowa.—First Unitarian Society. Hours of service, 10 A. M. and 7 P. M. Rev. Robert S. Loring.

Jackson, Mich.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. R. Shaw Barrow, 508 Fourth St.

Kalamazoo, Mich.—People's Church, Park and Lovell Sts, Hours of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7 P. M. Rev. Joseph P. McCarthy.

Kansas City, Mo.—All Souls' Church, Baltimore Ave. and Armour Boul. Hour of service, 11 A. M.

Kenosha, Wis.—Henry M. Simmons Memorial Church, Chicago St. Hours of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. Florence Buck, 427 Congress St.

Keokuk, Iowa.—First Unitarian Society. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. M. Rowena Morse, Ph. D., 519 Fourth St., W.

Lawrence, Kan.—The Unitarian Church, Hancock and Vermont Sts. Hours of service, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. Frederick M. Bennett, 1201 Vermont St.

Lincoln, Neb.—All Souls Church, Twelfth and H Sts. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. Arthur L. Weatherly.

Luverne, Minn.—Unity Congregation Church. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M.

Madison, Wis.—First Unitarian Society. Hours of service, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Rev. F. A. Gilmore.

Manistee, Mich.—First Unitarian Church. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M

Milwaukee, Wis.—First Unitarian Society, Ogden Ave. and Astor St. Hour of service, 11 A. M. Rev. Walter F. Greenman, 682 Astor St.

Minneapolis, Minn.—First Unitarian Society, Eighth St, and Mary Place. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. Rev. Wilson M. Backus.

Moline, Ill.—First Unitarian Church, Sixteenth St. and Sixth Ave. Hour of Service, 10:45 A. M. Rev. Floyd B. Hardin, 1610 Sixth Ave.

Monroe, Wis.—United Liberal Church. Hour of service, 10:45 A. M.

Mount Pleasant, Mich.—First Congregational Society. Hour of service, 10:30 A. M. and 7 P. M. Rev. H. Van Ommeren.

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